

## House Resolution No. 226

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. George Bailey, treasured residents of Vandalia, Missouri, commemorated the splendid occasion of their Sixty-fifth Wedding Anniversary on December 28, 2003, with a festive celebration held at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center in Vandalia; and

**Whereas**, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord on December 24, 1938, George F. Bailey and Claudine Henry began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony officiated by the Reverend Elmo Purvis at the Baptist Parsonage in Prairie; and

**Whereas**, attendants for the happy couple were Velma Rose Henry, sister of the bride, and Pat McBroom, a friend of the couple, who looked on with pleasure as George and Claudine pledged their eternal love for one another; and

**Whereas**, a proud father and caring husband, Mr. Bailey provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as a farmer in Vandalia, country school teacher in Moniteau County, elementary school principal in Bowling Green, and superintendent of schools in Malta Bend and Blythedale, while Mrs. Bailey enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as an educator in Syracuse for five years and Curryville for seventeen years; and

**Whereas**, since retiring, George and Claudine Bailey have traveled to thirty-three countries with Friendship Force International, an organization dedicated to building global goodwill through personal friendships; and

**Whereas**, George and Claudine Bailey attribute their sixty-five years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their four children, Glen Bailey of Vandalia, Joyce Elaine Cobb of St. Paul, Minnesota, Janet Wilkerson of Blue Springs, and George Henry Bailey (deceased); and their eight grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in a thunderous round of applause for George and Claudine Bailey upon the glorious celebration of their Sixty-fifth Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them tremendous peace, prosperity, and contentment as they proudly continue their journey along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. George Bailey, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Terry L. Witte  
District No. 10

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 226, adopted January 28, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker